

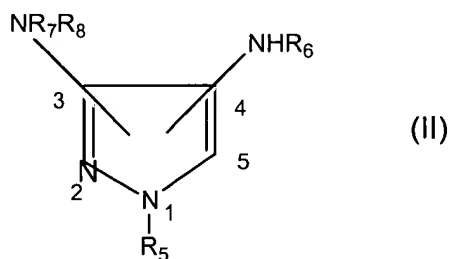
**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

Without prejudice or disclaimer, this listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Claims 1-19. (Canceled)

20. (Currently Amended) A composition for the oxidation dyeing of human keratin fibers comprising:

- at least one oxidation base chosen from diaminopyrazoles of formula (II) and acid-addition salts thereof:



in which:

- R<sub>5</sub> is chosen from a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> hydroxyalkyl radical;
- R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub>, which are identical or different, are chosen from a hydrogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl radical, a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> hydroxyalkyl radical, a benzyl radical and a phenyl radical; and
- R<sub>8</sub> is chosen from a hydrogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl radical and a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> hydroxyalkyl radical, and
- and at least one coupler chosen from 3-amino-2-chloro-6-methylphenol and acid addition salts thereof.

21. (Canceled)

22. (Canceled)

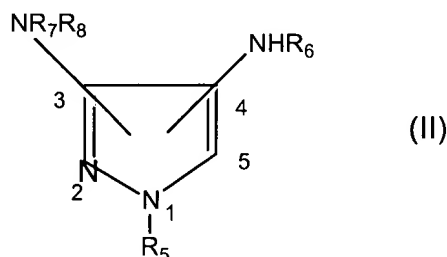
23. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 20, wherein said composition is in a medium suitable for dyeing.

24. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 48, wherein said halogen atoms are chosen from chlorine, bromine, iodine and fluorine.

25. (Canceled)

26. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 48, wherein said diaminopyrazoles are chosen from:

a) diaminopyrazoles of formula (II), and acid addition salts thereof:



in which:

- R<sub>5</sub> is chosen from a hydrogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl radical, a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> hydroxyalkyl radical, a benzyl radical, a phenyl radical, a benzyl radical substituted with a halogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl radical or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkoxy radical, or

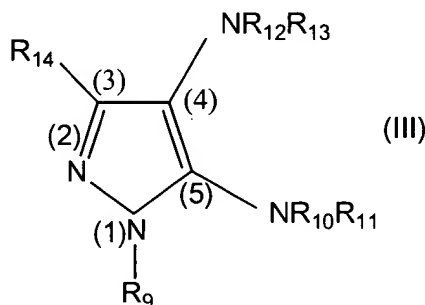
R<sub>5</sub> forms, with the nitrogen atom of the group NR<sub>7</sub>R<sub>8</sub> in position 5, a hexahydropyridazine or tetrahydropyrazole heterocycle which is optionally monosubstituted with a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl group;

- R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> which are identical or different, are chosen from a hydrogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl radical, a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> hydroxyalkyl radical, a benzyl radical and a phenyl radical;

-  $R_8$  is chosen from a hydrogen atom, a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl radical and a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  hydroxyalkyl radical;

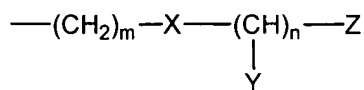
with the proviso that  $R_6$  is a hydrogen atom when  $R_5$  either is a substituted benzyl radical or forms a heterocycle with the nitrogen atom of the group  $NR_7R_8$  in position 5;  
and

b) diaminopyrazoles of formula (III), and acid addition salts thereof:



in which:

-  $R_9$ ,  $R_{10}$ ,  $R_{11}$ ,  $R_{12}$  and  $R_{13}$ , which are identical or different, are chosen from a hydrogen atom; a linear or branched  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl radical; a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  hydroxyalkyl radical; a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  aminoalkyl radical; a phenyl radical; a phenyl radical substituted with a halogen atom or a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkoxy, nitro, trifluoromethyl, amino or  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkylamino radical; a benzyl radical; a benzyl radical substituted with a halogen atom or with a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkoxy, methylenedioxy or amino radical; and a radical



in which m and n are integers, which are identical or different, ranging from 1 to 3 inclusive, X is chosen from an oxygen atom and an NH group, Y is chosen from a hydrogen atom and a methyl radical, and Z is chosen from a methyl radical and a group

OR or NRR' in which R and R', which are identical or different, are chosen from a hydrogen atom, a methyl radical and an ethyl radical,

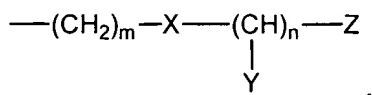
with the proviso that when R<sub>10</sub> is a hydrogen atom, then R<sub>11</sub> can also be an amino or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkylamino radical,

- R<sub>14</sub> is chosen from a linear or branched C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl radical; a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> hydroxyalkyl radical; a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> aminoalkyl radical; a (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkylamino(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl radical; a di(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkylamino(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl radical; a hydroxy(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkylamino(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl radical; a (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkoxymethyl radical; a phenyl radical; a phenyl radical substituted with a halogen atom or with a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkoxy, nitro, trifluoromethyl, amino or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkylamino radical; a benzyl radical; a benzyl radical substituted with a halogen atom or with a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkoxy, nitro, trifluoromethyl, amino or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkylamino radical; a heterocycle chosen from thiophene, furan and pyridine; and a radical -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>p</sub>-O-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>q</sub>-OR", in which p and q are integers, which are identical or different, ranging from 1 to 3 inclusive, and R" is chosen from a hydrogen atom and a methyl radical;

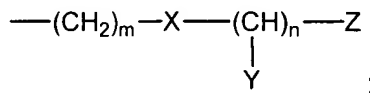
with the provisos that, in formula (III),

- at least one of the radicals R<sub>10</sub>, R<sub>11</sub>, R<sub>12</sub> and R<sub>13</sub> is a hydrogen atom;

- when R<sub>10</sub>, or R<sub>12</sub>, respectively, is a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl radical, or a benzyl radical or a radical



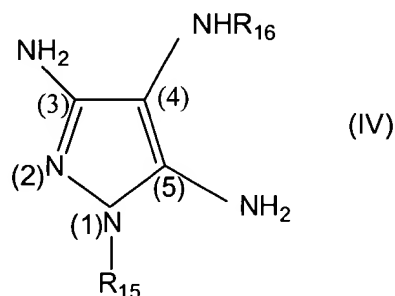
then R<sub>11</sub>, or R<sub>13</sub>, respectively, is not a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl radical, or a benzyl radical or a radical



- when  $R_{12}$  and  $R_{13}$  simultaneously represent a hydrogen atom, then  $R_9$  can form, with  $R_{10}$  and  $R_{11}$ , a hexahydropyrimidine or tetrahydroimidazole heterocycle which is optionally substituted with a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl or 1,2,4-tetrazole radical;

- when  $R_{10}$ ,  $R_{11}$ ,  $R_{12}$  and  $R_{13}$  represent a hydrogen atom or a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl radical, then  $R_9$  or  $R_{14}$  can also represent a 2-, 3- or 4-pyridyl, 2- or 3-thienyl or 2- or 3-furyl heterocyclic residue which is optionally substituted with a methyl radical or a cyclohexyl radical.

27. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 48, wherein said triaminopyrazoles are chosen from compounds of formula (IV), and acid addition salts thereof:



in which:

-  $R_{15}$  and  $R_{16}$ , which are identical or different, are chosen from a hydrogen atom, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl and a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  hydroxyalkyl radical.

28. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 26, wherein said diaminopyrazoles of formula (II) are chosen from:

- 4,5-diamino-1-(4'-methoxybenzyl)pyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-1-(4'-methylbenzyl)pyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-1-(4'-chlorobenzyl)pyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-1-(3'-methoxybenzyl)pyrazole,

- 4-amino-1-(4'-methoxybenzyl)-5-methylaminopyrazole,
  - 4-amino-5-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)amino-1-(4'-methoxybenzyl)pyrazole,
  - 4-amino-5-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)amino-1-methylpyrazole,
  - 4-amino-(3)5-methylaminopyrazole,
  - 3-(5)4-diaminopyrazole,
  - 4,5-diamino-1-methylpyrazole,
  - 4,5-diamino-1-benzylpyrazole,
  - 3-amino-4,5,7,8-tetrahydropyrazolo{1,5-a}pyrimidine,
  - 7-amino-2,3-dihydro-1H-imidazolo{1,2-b}pyrazole,
  - 3-amino-8-methyl-4,5,7,8-tetrahydropyrazolo{1,5-a}pyrimidine,
- and acid addition salts thereof.

29. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 26, wherein said diaminopyrazoles of formula (III) are chosen from:

- 1-benzyl-4,5-diamino-3-methylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-1-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)-3-(4'-methoxyphenyl)pyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-1-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)-3-(4'-methylphenyl)pyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-1-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)-3-(3'-methylphenyl)pyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-methyl-1-isopropylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-(4'-methoxyphenyl)-1-isopropylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-1-ethyl-3-methylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-1-ethyl-3-(4'-methoxyphenyl)pyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-hydroxymethyl-1-methylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-1-ethyl-3-hydroxymethylpyrazole,

- 4,5-diamino-3-hydroxymethyl-1-isopropylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-hydroxymethyl-1-tert-butylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-hydroxymethyl-1-phenylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-hydroxymethyl-1-(2'-methoxyphenyl)pyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-hydroxymethyl-1-(3'-methoxyphenyl)pyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-hydroxymethyl-1-(4'-methoxyphenyl)pyrazole,
- 1-benzyl-4,5-diamino-3-hydroxymethylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-methyl-1-(2'-methoxyphenyl)pyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-methyl-1-(3'-methoxyphenyl)pyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-methyl-1-(4'-methoxyphenyl)pyrazole,
- 3-aminomethyl-4,5-diamino-1-methylpyrazole,
- 3-aminomethyl-4,5-diamino-1-ethylpyrazole,
- 3-aminomethyl-4,5-diamino-1-isopropylpyrazole,
- 3-aminomethyl-4,5-diamino-1-tert-butylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-dimethylaminomethyl-1-methylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-dimethylaminomethyl-1-isopropylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-dimethylaminomethyl-1-tert-butylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-ethylaminomethyl-1-methylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-ethylaminomethyl-1-ethylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-ethylaminomethyl-1-isopropylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-ethylaminomethyl-1-tert-butylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-methylaminomethyl-1-methylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-methylaminomethyl-1-isopropylpyrazole,

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- 4,5-diamino-1-ethyl-3-methylaminomethylpyrazole,
- 1-tert-butyl-4,5-diamino-3-methylaminomethylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-(( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)aminomethyl)-1-methylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-(( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)aminomethyl)-1-isopropylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-1-ethyl-3-(( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)aminomethyl)pyrazole,
- 1-tert-butyl-4,5-diamino-3-(( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)aminomethyl)pyrazole,
- 4-amino-5-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)amino-1,3-dimethylpyrazole,
- 4-amino-5-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)amino-1-isopropyl-3-methylpyrazole,
- 4-amino-5-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)amino-1-ethyl-3-methylpyrazole,
- 4-amino-5-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)amino-1-tert-butyl-3-methylpyrazole,
- 4-amino-5-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)amino-1-phenyl-3-methylpyrazole,
- 4-amino-5-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)amino-1-(2-methoxyphenyl)-3-methylpyrazole,
- 4-amino-5-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)amino-1-(3-methoxyphenyl)-3-methylpyrazole,
- 4-amino-5-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)amino-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-methylpyrazole,
- 4-amino-5-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)amino-1-benzyl-3-methylpyrazole,
- 4-amino-1-ethyl-3-methyl-5-methylaminopyrazole,
- 4-amino-1-tert-butyl-3-methyl-5-methylaminopyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-1,3-dimethylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-tert-butyl-1-methylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-1-tert-butyl-3-methylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-1-methyl-3-phenylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-1-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)-3-methylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-1-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)-3-phenylpyrazole,

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- 4,5-diamino-1-methyl-3-(2'-chlorophenyl)pyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-1-methyl-3-(4'-chlorophenyl)pyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-1-methyl-3-(3'-trifluoromethylphenyl)pyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-1,3-diphenylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-methyl-1-phenylpyrazole,
- 4-amino-1,3-dimethyl-5-phenylaminopyrazole,
- 4-amino-1-ethyl-3-methyl-5-phenylaminopyrazole,
- 4-amino-1,3-dimethyl-5-methylaminopyrazole,
- 4-amino-3-methyl-1-isopropyl-5-methylaminopyrazole,
- 4-amino-3-isobutoxymethyl-1-methyl-5-methylaminopyrazole,
- 4-amino-3-methoxyethoxymethyl-1-methyl-5-methylaminopyrazole,
- 4-amino-3-hydroxymethyl-1-methyl-5-methylaminopyrazole,
- 4-amino-1,3-diphenyl-5-phenylaminopyrazole,
- 4-amino-3-methyl-5-methylamino-1-phenylpyrazole,
- 4-amino-1,3-dimethyl-5-hydrazinopyrazole,
- 5-amino-3-methyl-4-methylamino-1-phenylpyrazole,
- 5-amino-1-methyl-4-(N,N-methylphenyl)amino-3-(4'-chlorophenyl)pyrazole,
- 5-amino-3-ethyl-1-methyl-4-(N,N-methylphenyl)aminopyrazole,
- 5-amino-1-methyl-4-(N,N-methylphenyl)amino-3-phenylpyrazole,
- 5-amino-3-ethyl-4-(N,N-methylphenyl)aminopyrazole,
- 5-amino-4-(N,N-methylphenyl)amino-3-phenylpyrazole,
- 5-amino-4-(N,N-methylphenyl)amino-3-(4'-methylphenyl)pyrazole,
- 5-amino-3-(4'-chlorophenyl)-4-(N,N-methylphenyl)aminopyrazole,

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- 5-amino-3-(4'-methoxyphenyl)-4-(N,N-methylphenyl)aminopyrazole,
  - 4-amino-5-methylamino-3-phenylpyrazole,
  - 4-amino-5-ethylamino-3-phenylpyrazole,
  - 4-amino-5-ethylamino-3-(4'-methylphenyl)pyrazole,
  - 4-amino-3-phenyl-5-propylaminopyrazole,
  - 4-amino-5-butylamino-3-phenylpyrazole,
  - 4-amino-3-phenyl-5-phenylaminopyrazole,
  - 4-amino-5-benzylamino-3-phenylpyrazole,
  - 4-amino-5-(4'-chlorophenyl)amino-3-phenylpyrazole,
  - 4-amino-3-(4'-chlorophenyl)-5-phenylaminopyrazole,
  - 4-amino-3-(4'-methoxyphenyl)-5-phenylaminopyrazole,
  - 1-(4'-chlorobenzyl)-4,5-diamino-3-methylpyrazole,
  - 4,5-diamino-3-hydroxymethyl-1-isopropylpyrazole,
  - 4-amino-1-ethyl-3-methyl-5-methylaminopyrazole,
  - 4-amino-5-(2'-aminoethyl)amino-1,3-dimethylpyrazole,
- and acid addition salts thereof.

30. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 29, wherein said diaminopyrazoles of formula (III) are chosen from:

- 4,5-diamino-1,3-dimethylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-3-methyl-1-phenylpyrazole,
- 4,5-diamino-1-methyl-3-phenylpyrazole,
- 4-amino-1,3-dimethyl-5-hydrazinopyrazole,
- 1-benzyl-4,5-diamino-3-methylpyrazole,

- 4,5-diamino-3-tert-butyl-1-methylpyrazole,
  - 4,5-diamino-1-tert-butyl-3-methylpyrazole,
  - 4,5-diamino-1-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)-3-methylpyrazole,
  - 4,5-diamino-1-ethyl-3-methylpyrazole,
  - 4,5-diamino-1-ethyl-3-(4'-methoxyphenyl)pyrazole,
  - 4,5-diamino-1-ethyl-3-hydroxymethylpyrazole,
  - 4,5-diamino-3-hydroxymethyl-1-methylpyrazole,
  - 4,5-diamino-3-hydroxymethyl-1-isopropylpyrazole,
  - 4,5-diamino-3-methyl-1-isopropylpyrazole,
  - 4-amino-5-(2'-aminoethyl)amino-1,3-dimethylpyrazole,
- and acid addition salts thereof.

31. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 27 wherein said triaminopyrazoles of formula (IV) are chosen from 3,4,5-triaminopyrazole, 1-methyl-3,4,5-triaminopyrazole, 3,5-diamino-1-methyl-4-methylaminopyrazole and 3,5-diamino-4-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)amino-1-methylpyrazole, and acid addition salts thereof.

32. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 20, wherein said at least one oxidation base is present in an amount ranging from 0.0005 to 12% by weight relative to the total weight of the composition.

33. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 32, wherein said at least one oxidation base is present in an amount ranging from 0.005 to 6% by weight relative to the total weight of the composition.

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34. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 20, wherein said at least one coupler is present in an amount ranging from 0.0001 to 5% by weight relative to the total weight of the composition.

35. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 34, wherein said at least one coupler is present in an amount ranging from 0.005 to 3% by weight relative to the total weight of the composition.

36. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 20, wherein said acid addition salts are chosen from hydrochlorides, hydrobromides, sulphates, tartrates, lactates and acetates.

37. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 23, wherein said medium suitable for dyeing or support comprises water or a mixture of water and at least one organic solvent.

38. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 37, wherein said at least one organic solvent is chosen from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> lower alkanols, glycerol, glycols and glycol ethers, and aromatic alcohols.

39. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 20, wherein said composition has a pH ranging from 3 to 12.

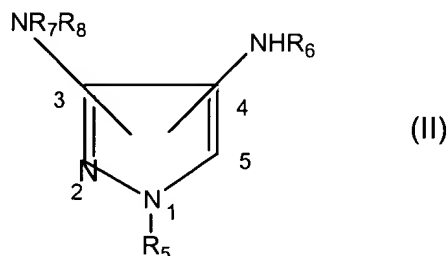
40. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 20, wherein said composition is in the form of a liquid, a cream, or a gel.

41. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 40, wherein said composition is in the form of a liquid, a cream, a gel, or in any other form suitable for dyeing human hair.

42. (Previously Presented) A method for dyeing keratin fibers, comprising:

(a) applying to said keratin fibers at least one dye composition, which comprises

- at least one oxidation base chosen from diaminopyrazoles of formula (II) and acid-addition salts thereof:



in which:

- $R_5$  is chosen from a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  hydroxyalkyl radical;
- $R_6$  and  $R_7$ , which are identical or different, are chosen from a hydrogen atom, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl radical, a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  hydroxyalkyl radical, a benzyl radical and a phenyl radical; and
- $R_8$  is chosen from a hydrogen atom, a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl radical and a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  hydroxyalkyl radical, and
- at least one coupler chosen from 3-amino-2-chloro-6-methylphenol and acid addition salts thereof; and

(b) developing a color at an acidic, neutral or alkaline pH with the aid of an oxidizing agent, wherein said oxidizing agent is added to said at least one dye composition at the time of application of said composition, or wherein said oxidizing agent is present in an oxidizing composition, and wherein said oxidizing composition is applied simultaneously or sequentially with said at least one dye composition.

43. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 42, wherein said keratin fibers are human keratin fibers.

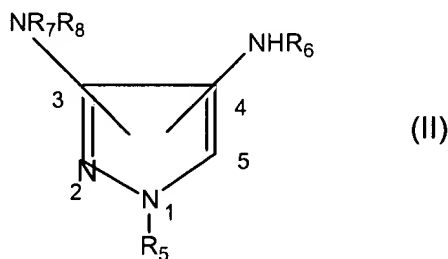
44. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 43, wherein said human keratin fibers are human hair.

45. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 42, wherein said oxidizing agent is chosen from hydrogen peroxide, urea peroxide, alkali metal bromates, persalts, and peracids.

46. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 45, wherein said persalts are chosen from perborates, percarbonates and persulphates.

47. (Previously Presented) A multi-compartment kit for dyeing keratin fibers, comprising at least two compartments, wherein one compartment comprises an oxidizing composition, and another compartment comprises a composition for the oxidation dyeing of keratin fibers, said composition for the oxidation dyeing of keratin fibers comprising:

- at least one oxidation base chosen from diaminopyrazoles of formula (II) and acid-addition salts thereof:



in which:

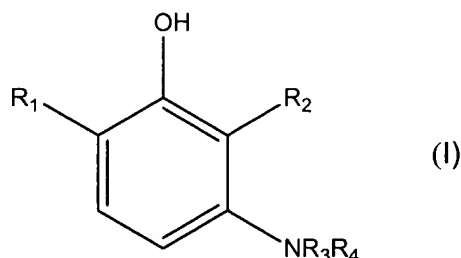
- R<sub>5</sub> is chosen from a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> hydroxyalkyl radical;

- R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub>, which are identical or different, are chosen from a hydrogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl radical, a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> hydroxyalkyl radical, a benzyl radical and a phenyl radical; and

- $R_8$  is chosen from a hydrogen atom, a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl radical and a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  hydroxyalkyl radical, and
- at least one coupler chosen from 3-amino-2-chloro-6-methylphenol and acid addition salts thereof.

48. (Currently Amended) A composition for the oxidation dyeing of human keratin fibers comprising:

- at least one oxidation base chosen from diaminopyrazoles, triaminopyrazoles, and acid-addition salts thereof, and
- at least one coupler chosen from halogenated meta-aminophenols of formula (I), and acid addition salts thereof:



in which:

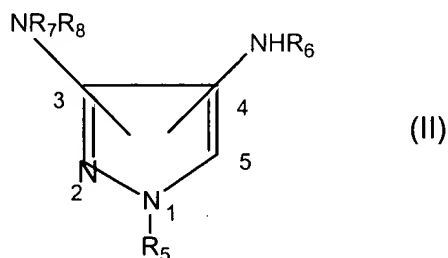
- $R_1$  is chosen from a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl radical, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  monohydroxyalkyl radical, a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  polyhydroxyalkyl radical, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkoxy radical, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  monohydroxyalkoxy radical and a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  polyhydroxyalkoxy radical;
- $R_2$  is chosen from a halogen atom; and
- $R_3$  and  $R_4$ , which are identical or different, are chosen from a hydrogen atom, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl radical, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  monohydroxyalkyl radical, a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  polyhydroxyalkyl radical and a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  monoaminoalkyl radical.

49. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 48, wherein  $R_1$  is chosen from a halogen atom, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl radical, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  monohydroxyalkyl radical, a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  polyhydroxyalkyl radical, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkoxy radical, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  monohydroxyalkoxy radical and a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  polyhydroxyalkoxy radical.

50. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 48, wherein  $R_1$  is chosen from a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl radical.

51. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 48, wherein the at least one coupler is chosen from 3-amino-2-chloro-6-methylphenol and acid addition salts thereof.

52. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 48, wherein the at least one oxidation base is chosen from diaminopyrazoles of formula (II), and acid addition salts thereof:



in which:

- $R_5$  is chosen from a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  hydroxyalkyl radical;
- $R_6$  and  $R_7$  which are identical or different, are chosen from a hydrogen atom, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl radical, a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  hydroxyalkyl radical, a benzyl radical and a phenyl radical; and
- $R_8$  is chosen from a hydrogen atom, a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl radical and a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  hydroxyalkyl radical.



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55. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 48, wherein said composition is in a medium suitable for dyeing.

56. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 48, wherein said at least one oxidation base is present in an amount ranging from 0.0005 to 12% by weight relative to the total weight of the composition.

57. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 56, wherein said at least one oxidation base is present in an amount ranging from 0.005 to 6% by weight relative to the total weight of the composition.

58. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 48, wherein said at least one coupler is present in an amount ranging from 0.0001 to 5% by weight relative to the total weight of the composition.

59. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 58, wherein said at least one coupler is present in an amount ranging from 0.005 to 3% by weight relative to the total weight of the composition.

60. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 48, wherein said acid addition salts are chosen from hydrochlorides, hydrobromides, sulphates, tartrates, lactates and acetates.

61. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 55, wherein said medium suitable for dyeing or support comprises water or a mixture of water and at least one organic solvent.

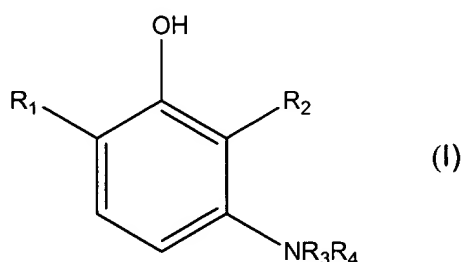
62. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 61, wherein said at least one organic solvent is chosen from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> lower alkanols, glycerol, glycols and glycol ethers, and aromatic alcohols.

63. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 48, wherein said composition has a pH ranging from 3 to 12.

64. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 48, wherein said composition is in the form of a liquid, a cream, or a gel.

65. (Previously Presented) A composition according to Claim 48, wherein said composition is in the form of a liquid, a cream, a gel, or in any other form suitable for dyeing human hair.

66. (Previously Presented) A method for dyeing keratin fibers, comprising:  
(a) applying to said keratin fibers at least one dye composition, which comprises  
- at least one oxidation base chosen from diaminopyrazoles, triaminopyrazoles, and acid-addition salts thereof;  
- and at least one coupler chosen from halogenated meta-aminophenols of formula (I), and acid addition salts thereof:



in which:

- R<sub>1</sub> is chosen from a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monohydroxyalkyl radical, a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> polyhydroxyalkyl radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>

alkoxy radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monohydroxyalkoxy radical and a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> polyhydroxyalkoxy radical;

- R<sub>2</sub> is chosen from a halogen atom; and

- R<sub>3</sub> and R<sub>4</sub>, which are identical or different, are chosen from a hydrogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monohydroxyalkyl radical, a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> polyhydroxyalkyl radical and a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monoaminoalkyl radical; and

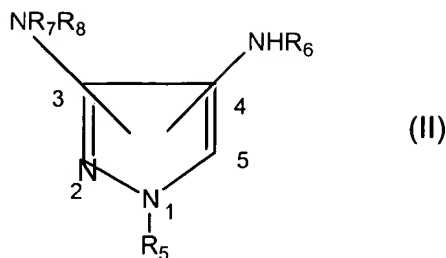
(b) developing a color at an acidic, neutral or alkaline pH with the aid of an oxidizing agent, wherein said oxidizing agent is added to said at least one dye composition at the time of application of said composition, or wherein said oxidizing agent is present in an oxidizing composition, and wherein said oxidizing composition is applied simultaneously or sequentially with said at least one dye composition.

67. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 66, wherein R<sub>1</sub> is chosen from R<sub>1</sub> is chosen from a halogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monohydroxyalkyl radical, a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> polyhydroxyalkyl radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkoxy radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monohydroxyalkoxy radical and a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> polyhydroxyalkoxy radical.

68. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 66, wherein R<sub>1</sub> is chosen from a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl radical.

69. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 66, wherein the at least one coupler is chosen from 3-amino-2-chloro-6-methylphenol and acid addition salts thereof.

70. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 66, wherein the at least one oxidation base is chosen from diaminopyrazoles of formula (II), and acid addition salts thereof:



in which:

- R<sub>5</sub> is chosen from a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> hydroxyalkyl radical;
- R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> which are identical or different, are chosen from a hydrogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl radical, a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> hydroxyalkyl radical, a benzyl radical and a phenyl radical; and
- R<sub>8</sub> is chosen from a hydrogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl radical and a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> hydroxyalkyl radical.

71. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 66, wherein said keratin fibers are human keratin fibers.

72. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 71, wherein said human keratin fibers are human hair.

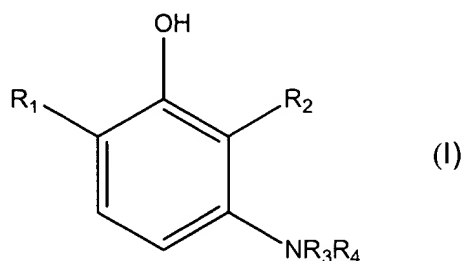
73. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 66, wherein said oxidizing agent is chosen from hydrogen peroxide, urea peroxide, alkali metal bromates, persalts, and peracids.

74. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 73, wherein said persalts are chosen from perborates, percarbonates and persulphates.

75. (Previously Presented) A multi-compartment kit for dyeing keratin fibers, comprising at least two compartments, wherein one compartment comprises an oxidizing composition, and another compartment comprises a composition for the

oxidation dyeing of keratin fibers, said composition for the oxidation dyeing of keratin fibers comprising:

- at least one oxidation base chosen from diaminopyrazoles, triaminopyrazoles, and acid-addition salts thereof;
- and at least one coupler chosen from halogenated meta-aminophenols of formula (I), and acid addition salts thereof:



in which:

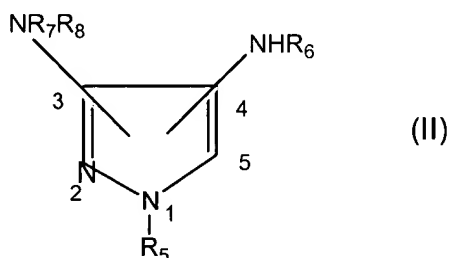
- R<sub>1</sub> is chosen from a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monohydroxyalkyl radical, a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> polyhydroxyalkyl radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkoxy radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monohydroxyalkoxy radical and a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> polyhydroxyalkoxy radical;
- R<sub>2</sub> is chosen from a halogen atom; and
- R<sub>3</sub> and R<sub>4</sub>, which are identical or different, are chosen from a hydrogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monohydroxyalkyl radical, a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> polyhydroxyalkyl radical and a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monoaminoalkyl radical.

76. (Previously Presented) A multi-compartment kit according to Claim 75, wherein R<sub>1</sub> is chosen from R<sub>1</sub> is chosen from a halogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monohydroxyalkyl radical, a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> polyhydroxyalkyl radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkoxy radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monohydroxyalkoxy radical and a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> polyhydroxyalkoxy radical.

77. (Previously Presented) A multi-compartment kit according to Claim 75, wherein  $R_1$  is chosen from a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl radical.

78. (Previously Presented) A multi-compartment kit according to Claim 75, wherein the at least one coupler is chosen from 3-amino-2-chloro-6-methylphenol and acid addition salts thereof.

79. (Previously Presented) A multi-compartment kit according to Claim 75, wherein the at least one oxidation base is chosen from diaminopyrazoles of formula (II), and acid addition salts thereof:



in which:

- $R_5$  is chosen from a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  hydroxyalkyl radical;
- $R_6$  and  $R_7$  which are identical or different, are chosen from a hydrogen atom, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl radical, a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  hydroxyalkyl radical, a benzyl radical and a phenyl radical; and
- $R_8$  is chosen from a hydrogen atom, a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl radical and a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  hydroxyalkyl radical.